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For: Δ-4 DESATURASES FROM EUGLENA

GRACILIS, EXPRESSING PLANTS, AND

OILS CONTAINING PUFA

Examiner: Elizabeth F. McElwain

AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 CFR §1.116

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated November 26, 2008, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.